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Dear Parents / Guardians

From the Principal's Desk

1. We are happy to welcome your child back to school. A new year is upon us and with it one can expect changes. This letter will provide some important points for each of you to bear in mind so that we are off to a good start for a wonderful year ahead.
2. The start of the new year is a good time to remind your child / ward about the expectations of being a Canossian student. Being a year older, they should be more responsible about the following areas:
 - Daily attendance and punctuality - your child / ward should only stay away from school for medical reasons.
Please do not plan for overseas travel during the academic terms.
 - All homework should be completed at home. You could help by checking the Communication Book for notes from teachers. School bags should be packed on a daily basis with only the books and stationery that are essential to the day's learning.
 - Students should always be well-groomed and dressed in the correct attire (either in their full uniform or PE attire) based on the timetable.
 - They should be responsible for their own hearing devices and ensure that they have spare batteries in their bags every day.

Form Teachers will be sending out letters outlining their expectations of each class. Please go through these letters carefully.

3. New staff
Canossian School has always been blessed with dedicated and caring staff members. This year our staff strength has grown and we are happy to introduce the following new teachers:
 - Ms Alice Tay & Ms Elaine Lim – they will be the Form Teachers of Primary 4, assisted by Mrs Celestina Teo
 - Ms Marissa Yee – she will be the Form Teacher of Primary 5 Peace / Hope
 - Ms Koh Hin Ann – she will assist Ms Serena Lee in Primary 2 Joy
 - Mdm Ernyhardian bte Anuar – who is our new ICT Executive.
4. Curriculum Hours & CCA / Support Lessons Schedule
The school has revised the curriculum hours to be aligned with changes to our mainstream partner school, Canossa Catholic Primary School (CCPS). Please take note of the new times:



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Day / Prog	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Time	7.30am – 1.30pm	7.30am – 1.30pm	7.30am – 1.30pm	7.30am – 1.30pm	7.30am – 1.30pm
After-school Support Lessons		2.00pm – 3.30pm		2.00pm – 3.30pm	
CCA	Art Club: 2.00pm – 4.00pm (combined with CCPS)		Band: 2.00pm – 5.00pm Choir: 2.00pm – 3.30pm		Band: 2.00pm – 3.30pm Choir: 2.00pm – 3.30pm (where nec) Gardening Club: 2.00pm – 3.30pm

With reference to the survey that was sent out towards the end of last year to indicate interest in CCAs offered by CCPS, the returns indicate that there was not enough interest to offer any combined CCAs except for Art. Should students still be interested in joining an additional CCA, you are invited to make an appointment to discuss this possibility with me.

5. Reminders about security

Parents / guardians who send their children in cars are reminded to allow them to alight from your parked vehicle. There is no need to accompany your child / ward to the classroom. If you intend to speak with teachers, please make an appointment with the teacher and sign in at our General Office before meeting with the teacher.

If you do need to take your child out of school for medical appointments or due to unforeseen circumstances, please inform the Form Teacher or General Office beforehand. Students will only be released to parents / guardians or known caregivers.

6. Stay informed

Please check the monthly REACH newsletter to stay updated on special programmes in the school. There is always a forecast of events planned for the month. Do take note of days when school is dismissed early so that we do not have situations where students have to wait to be picked up.

Form Teachers usually include reminders of changes in dismissal times, days when students have to bring in their own snacks or when they do not have to come to school in their full uniform.



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7. Programmes for January

- a. **Adventure Camp** for Pri 4 & 5 students. This is a 3 day-2 night camp held at MOE Dairy Farm Adventure Camp from Mon 14 – Wed 16 January.
- b. **Parents' Workshops**. There will be a series of subject-based workshops for parents of Pri4, 5 and 6 students organized by CCPS. Do check the letters that provide information on these. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend these workshops.
- c. **CCAs** will commence from Monday 14 January.
- d. **After-school Support Lessons** will only begin from Monday 28 January.

8. Upcoming events

The school will be holding its Annual Camp on Fri 14 – Sat 15 March. More details on this will be released in due course. All students are encouraged to attend the camp.

On a final note, allow me to share a simple visual reminder that applies as much to parents and caregivers as to students. In our own journeys of bettering ourselves and our young charges, remember that success only comes with perseverance and determination. Guide them in staying focused on their goals and they will eventually get there. The visual helps to remember that the behaviours can change, attitudes can change and results can be achieved if we are resolved to stay the course.

No dream is too big for our children! No dream is beyond our reach as long as we keep God by our side.



Yours truly

Ms Christina Michael
Principal